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SUBJECT: ASEAN INDUSTRIAL PROJECTS

REF: (A) STATE 142469 (B) SINGAPORE 2577
(C) BANGKOK 16878 (D) JAKARTA 8057
(E) MANILA 9987 (F) SINGAPORE 2750

1. WE APPRECIATE REPORTING IN REFTELS ON THE STATUS OF THE ASEAN INDUSTRIAL PROJECTS IN RESPONSE TO REF. A. WE NOTE, HOWEVER, THAT THE REPLIES, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF SINGAPORE 2577, MADE NO MENTION OF ANY KNOWN OR RUMORED INVOLVEMENT OR INTEREST BY SPECIFIC AMERICAN OR OTHER FOREIGN FIRMS.

2. THE POSSIBILITY THAT JAPANESE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE MAY BE UNTIED AND THE POTENTIAL FOR SOME US EX-IM BANK FINANCING INDICATE THAT THERE MAY BE SIGNIFICANT US EXPORT OPPORTUNITIES, IF THESE PROJECTS COME TO FRUITION. TAKING ADVANTAGE OF UNTIED JAPANESE AID, HOWEVER, MAY REQUIRE CONSTANT US ATTENTION TO CAPTURE POTENTIAL OPPORTUNITIES CREATED. WE ARE INTERESTED IN KEEPING ABREAST OF EVEN VERY TENTATIVE INTEREST ON THE PART OF US FIRMS. WE UNDERSTAND, FOR EXAMPLE, THAT DIAMOND SHAMROCK AND US STEEL, THE LATTER IN COMPANY WITH ASAHI GLASS OF JAPAN, HAVE BEEN

INTERESTED IN THE POSSIBILITIES FOR POTASH PRODUCTION IN THAILAND WHICH MIGHT CONCEIVABLY EXTEND TO SOME INTEREST IN THE ROCK SALT-SODA ASH THAI ASEAN PROJECT. FOLLOW-UP REPORTS INDICATING WHETHER THERE HAS BEEN ANY EVIDENCE OF SUCH INTEREST IN ANY OF THESE PROJECTS WOULD BE APPRECIATED. VANCE

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